

MASS MEETING IN CAUSE OF LIBERTY

Auditorium Crowded Wednesday
in Spite of Rain

Enthusiasm Aroused as Band Plays and
School Children Sing and Speakers
Urge Subscription to Liberty Loan.

Brattleboro's response to the proclamation issued by President Wilson naming Wednesday as Liberty day was a handsome demonstration of patriotism on the part of her townspeople. Despite rain and in any way dampen the enthusiasm, no keep enough people away so that the Auditorium was filled almost to overflowing when the mass meeting was called to order soon after 1:30 that afternoon and the exercises were entered into, the music appreciated and the addresses urging the great necessity for everyone who possibly can to loan their money to the government in this great crisis listened to with a spirit befitting the occasion.

Owing to a pressure of other business it was impossible for Gov. Graham to be present as had been announced. There was one outstanding feature while the program was being carried out and that was the great seriousness and solemnity which prevailed. Everyone, from the youngest to the oldest in the large audience, plainly showed that a deep impression was being made.

All of the stores, schools and some of the factories in the town closed their doors at noon so that employees might get their dinner and have ample time to return to the Auditorium. Throughout the forenoon there was a heavy rainfall and just at the hour when all paths began to lead in the direction of the meeting place it poured the hardest, but people turned out in full force and long before the speaking hour arrived every seat in the house was occupied and all of the available standing space taken.

Handiwork of the decorator was first to attract attention as all of the boxes at either side of the stage were draped with large star spangled banners, the front of the stage was banked with flags and two large silk emblems of the free adorned each end of the proscenium arch. These were set off with palms and at the center of the stage, directly in front of the speaker's table, was a huge bouquet of chrysanthemums.

While people were gathering the Brattleboro military band, which was seated at the rear of the stage, rendered a program of patriotic airs, each one seeming to leave a deep impression upon the listeners. Then the chorus from the high school took a position in front of the band and under leadership of Musical Director Frank M. Cram contributed several selections, which were greatly appreciated.

This demonstration shows just what Brattleboro can do when people are once aroused and what can be done practically on the spur of the moment as the entire arrangements were completed within 48 hours. On the stage were seated many of the men who participated in the preliminary work and it might be added that it was due to the entrance of the board of trade into the proposition that it was hurried to such a successful conclusion. Members of the clergy seated on the stage included Reverends T. F. McMahon, Douglas G. Gould, E. Q. S. Gould, D. E. Trout, H. H. Clapp, J. Fredrick Virgin, A. V. Woodworth, T. Brownell, E. S. Hewitt. Business men represented besides the speakers were George L. Dunham, Postmaster M. J. Moran, A. B. Clapp, F. K. Barrows, Judge J. M. Tyler and Harry P. Webster. There were many present in the audience who came from adjoining towns.

Horton D. Walker, president of the board of trade and chairman of Windham county pledge card campaign committee, called the gathering to order formally and in a few choice words in which he referred to the vast importance of the occasion which prompted the meeting introduced as the first speaker of the afternoon Charles G. Staples.

At the outset Mr. Staples expressed the firm belief which the people of Brattleboro and the United States hold in the great war which has been entered into, but brought out the fact that there are still many who do not actually realize the serious situation which confronts the government. "We are at war," he said, "and the war must be won. But to win this war requires men and to maintain men demands money, millions of dollars. That is why Uncle Sam asks you to loan him your dollars. You will not lose anything, but will, on the other hand, be a gainer. Fifty dollars in government bonds is better than the same amount of money in your home as it will draw 4 per cent annually."

The speaker entered a denial that there was a profit in handling the bonds and emphasized the fact that bankers throughout the country are doing it out of a spirit of patriotism for the land of

the free and the home of the brave as he believed all men or nations are entitled to progress.

Following Mr. Staples, Scout Master J. Fredrick Virgin was introduced to make a report of the work of the Boy Scouts in soliciting subscriptions for Liberty bonds. He reported that the work of the 30 Scouts was only about half through, but that they had returned 172 applications for bonds aggregating \$10,450. While there was one for \$2,000, one for \$1,000, one for \$700 and a few for \$500, more than 150 were for \$50 each. They came largely from persons who probably would not have subscribed had they not been solicited. Rev. Mr. Virgin's report was greeted with applause. He said the Scouts were doing a real work, not a "stunt." They are trying to make every house in Brattleboro feel its responsibility. "If he does his duty today," said the speaker, "this country is going to be safe for him when it comes time for him to cast his ballot."

The scout master was followed by Attorney Lester E. Wurfel of Newark, N. J., who had charge of the Four Minute men of that city. He emphasized the fact that the citizens of America must bear the responsibility that goes with citizenship. This country would not have been the richest and freest in the world if our forefathers had not fought to make it so. The nation now needs our money that it may remain unswayed.

He cited the fact that Germany, which has a casualty list of eight and a half millions has just raised \$3,000,000,000 as its seventh loan. He reviewed the indignities of Germany against our ships and non-combatants in violation of assurances to the contrary and mentioned the duplicity of Von Bernstorff, Zimmermann and other German agents. Persons who do not feel their responsibility and their obligation to assist in the Liberty loan, in the face of the facts as he said, he declared, as those who defend Germany.

Before declaring the meeting adjourned Chairman Walker called attention to the campaign to be waged beginning next Sunday for pledges to assist in the conservation of food, and as chairman of the Windham county committee which has this work in charge he urged everyone to be ready to sign the pledge by the year later and expressed the belief that the return would be 100 per cent from the state of Vermont. The object of the campaign, which is to be nation-wide, is to induce people to comply with advice of the national food administration board, which is headed by Herbert Hoover.

NOT A BURDEN.

Liberty Bonds Can Be Converted into
Cash at Any Time.

There is a great deal of doubt in the minds of most people as to the nature and convertibility of the United States bonds of the second Liberty loan. This bond must not be considered as a burden imposed by the war but rather as a chance to do our bit and help equip our boys on the front line. A fifty dollar bill and a fifty dollar bond are for all purposes the same thing and one may be converted into the other or vice versa at any bank at any time and no questions asked. In buying a bond your money is not tied up for the period that the bond has to run but it may be sold at any time at its face value. The security back of these bonds is the same security that is back of all our currency, the promise of our government to pay and this promise is second to none in the world. Long before the word of the United States could fail, savings banks and other savings institutions would close their doors. The government does not demand the use of your money, it asks you to exchange your money for a bond of equal value and pays you four per cent a year for this exchange. Lack of ready money need not deter anyone from subscribing to this loan for they may be secured by paying one dollar down and one dollar a week. The bonds are ready and willing to buy bonds for anybody and arrange with them for payments which are most convenient to the buyer. Now is the time for the people of this country to practice thrift and economy and to turn over every cent of their surplus and credit to the United States, resting assured that their money is in the safest and best hands in the world and that they are all helping to win the war.

SEVENTY SEEK SECOND PAPERS.

Over 1,000 Applications in Vermont
Since Last May.

Seventy men made application in United States court in the state of Vermont last week for second naturalization papers. Clerk F. S. Pratt said that since May 1 he has received over 1,000 applications and that he expected that when the Canadian draft law became effective there would be a large number of men who originally lived in Canada who would seek naturalization.

PAST NOBLE GRANDS GUESTS.

Dennis Rebekah Lodge Carries Out
Especially Pleading Program—Effective Closing Tableau.

Past noble grands' night was observed Tuesday by Dennis Rebekah lodge and at the close of the regular meeting a fitting and pleasing program, prepared by Mrs. A. J. Currier was carried out. There were present that evening 17 past noble grands, and five others responded to their name by letter. The first past noble grand, Mrs. Mary W. Brown of Frost street, was present, also her three successors, Mrs. Helen Newman, Mrs. Myra Stone and Mrs. Mary Currier.

The refreshments were in charge of the young unmarried people of the society. The tables, attractively decorated with flowers, were set to form a cross and the present noble grand, past noble grand, vice noble grand and chaplain were seated at the four points. Each one gave a toast. At the close of the supper hour, all past noble grands gave an original yell, chanting the order for the fine reception given them. The entertainment, which was highly pleasing, consisted of readings, musical numbers and a closing tableau. Each past noble grand responded to her name, either personally or by a representative of her family; Mrs. Myra Brown's granddaughter, Miss Eleanor Clay, rendered a pleasing piano solo when Mrs. Brown's name was called. Abbott Richmond rendered a song when his mother's name was called.

The closing tableau was beautiful and the audience was deeply impressed by it. Mrs. Arthur L. Maynard, representing Columbia, was seated on the platform, surrounded by the four oldest past noble grands, two on each side, and the other past noble grands formed a semi-circle about them. Then three daughters of the past noble grands, Mrs. Hazel Exner, Miss Amy Moran and Miss Ruth Wilder, came in and formed the three links, carrying red, white and blue. Each carried a flag and as the entertainment closed with the singing of Star Spangled Banner each flag was waved, which made a particularly effective sight. The present noble grand, Miss May Cook, presented each of the four past noble grands who were first in the service of the lodge, a bouquet of carnations.

HIGLEY-ROCHON.

Double Ring Service in Roman Catholic
Parish House Wednesday—Will Live
on Central Street.

Robert E. Higley and Miss Adeline Rochon were married Wednesday morning at 6:30 in the Roman Catholic parish house, Rev. Father Thomas F. McMahon officiating. They were unattended. A double ring service was used. The bride wore a brown velvet traveling suit with brown velvet hat. Mr. and Mrs. Higley left at 7 o'clock for a trip to New York. They will visit on their return trip in Springfield, Mass. They will begin housekeeping at 62 Central street, where they have an apartment furnished ready for their occupancy.

Mrs. Higley, who came here from Springfield, Mass., graduated from the Memorial hospital training school for nurses in 1914 and since that time has been following her profession in Brattleboro. Mr. Higley is a son of Mrs. Ellen M. Higley of Brattleboro and has been employed several years by the Twin State Gas & Electric company as motorman on the electric cars.

NOT SELLING RED CROSS WORK.

Rumors that Red Cross Sweaters Were
Being Sold Results in Denial by Jordan
Marsh Co.

Editor of The Phoenix: There have been several rumors about the Red Cross having knitting done and department stores like the Jordan Marsh Co. selling sweaters that were made by women of the Red Cross. Being indignant at such happenings, if such were true, I took it upon myself to write the Jordan Marsh Co. if they were selling sweaters or any goods made by the women of the Red Cross, and I received the enclosed answer. I just received the Red Cross chapter and its members who have stood by me through the few months we have been working and the good work they have done and are doing I wish you would kindly insert in the columns of your valuable paper the answer I received from the Jordan Marsh Co.

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PERFORMANCE OF FIRST CLASS.

So Long Letty Makes Strong Appeal to
Auditorium Audience.

Promises made as to the excellence of the So Long Letty company before its appearance in Brattleboro certainly were made good by the performance in the Auditorium Tuesday, and a fair sized audience was present although early indications pointed to a small house. It was one of the finest musical comedy productions seen in Brattleboro in years, full of life and ginger with corking good music and a front rank company. It was different from the usual run of musical comedies, dealing with dwellers in a "horse car colony" in California, and the plot was much more pronounced than in the usual run of musical productions. Gladys Lockwood, who played the part of Letty Robbins, a long, lanky woman who cared more for the cabaret than the kitchen, acted with an abandon that appealed strongly to the audience, and the other members of the cast won 18 karat run of musical productions. Gladys Lockwood, who played the part of Letty Robbins, a long, lanky woman who cared more for the cabaret than the kitchen, acted with an abandon that appealed strongly to the audience, and the other members of the cast won 18 karat run of musical productions. Gladys Lockwood, who played the part of Letty Robbins, a long, lanky woman who cared more for the cabaret than the kitchen, acted with an abandon that appealed strongly to the audience, and the other members of the cast won 18 karat run of musical productions.

Knew Better.
Gentleman—Why don't you get out and hustle? Hard work never killed anybody.

Rastus—You're mistaken dear, boss. I've lost four wives that way.—Boston Transcript.

NEXT DRAFT CLASSIFICATIONS.

Here Is the Information Wanted by All
Men Between Ages of 21 and 30 Inclusive.

The five classifications into which men awaiting draft will be divided under the new regulations approved by President Wilson have become public much before the time planned by the Provost Marshal General's office and are here published.

It was discovered that what was to have remained an official secret for a week or more was divulged Saturday night at a dinner in New York, which Secretary Baker and Provost Marshal General Crowder attended.

CLASS I

1. Single men without dependent relatives.
2. Married man (or widower) with children, who habitually fails to support his family.
3. Married man dependent on wife for support.
4. Married man (or widower) with children, not usefully engaged, family supported by income independent of his labor.
5. Men not included in any other description in this or other classes.
6. Unskilled laborer.

CLASS II

1. Married man or father of motherless children, usefully engaged but family has sufficient income apart from his daily labor to afford reasonably adequate support during his absence.
2. Married man—no children—wife can support herself decently and without hardship.
3. Skilled industrial laborer engaged in necessary industrial enterprise.
4. Skilled farm laborer engaged in necessary agricultural enterprise.

CLASS III

1. Man with foster children dependent on daily labor for support.
2. Man with aged, infirm or invalid parents or grandparents dependent on daily labor for support.
3. Man with brothers or sisters incompetent to support themselves, dependent on daily labor for support.
4. County or municipal officer.
5. Fireman or policeman.
6. Necessary artificers or workmen in armories, arsenals and Navy Yards.
7. Necessary customhouse clerk.
8. Persons necessary in transmission of mails.
9. Necessary employees in service of United States.
10. Highly specialized administrative experts.
11. Technical or mechanical experts in industrial enterprise.
12. Highly specialized agricultural expert in agricultural bureau of State or Nation.
13. Assistant or associate manager of necessary industrial enterprise.
14. Assistant or associate manager of necessary agricultural enterprise.

CLASS IV

1. Married man with wife (and) or children (or widower with children) dependent on daily labor for support and no other reasonably adequate support available.
2. Mariners in sea service of merchants or citizens in United States.
3. Heads of necessary industrial enterprises.
4. Heads of necessary agricultural enterprises.

CLASS V

1. Officers of States or the United States.
2. Regularly or duly ordained ministers.
3. Students of divinity.
4. Persons in military or naval service.
5. Aliens.
6. Alien enemies.
7. Persons morally unfit.
8. Persons physically, permanently or mentally unfit.
9. Licensed Pilots.

MRS. TRUMAN E. WALLACE.

Dies in Home on Highland Street Following Shock.

Mrs. Esther S. Wallace, 56, wife of Truman E. Wallace, died at her home, 9 Highland street, Sunday, as the result of a shock which she sustained Friday night. On Saturday morning about 6 o'clock Mrs. Lawrence Hudson, who occupies the lower tenement in the house but has sleeping quarters adjoining those of Mrs. Wallace in bed room floor, found Mrs. Wallace unconscious. It is believed that she was stricken about 11 o'clock the night before.

Mrs. Wallace was the daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Williams and was born in Lancaster, N. H., 57 years ago next month. She was twice married, by whom she had three children. About nine years ago she married Mr. Wallace in Newfane, where she was then living. Mrs. Wallace had lived in Brattleboro about eight years. She was an attendant of the Congregational church and a member of the Woman's Relief corps. Besides the husband she leaves three daughters, Mrs. Alice P. Lavoie of 20 Spruce street, Brattleboro, and Mrs. Eva Robinson and Mrs. Rose Pike of West Wardsboro, and one brother, F. E. Williams of Cambridge, Mass., and eight grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the house, at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Richard H. Clapp, pastor of the Congregational church, officiated and the burial took place in Morning side cemetery.

Railroad Tickets to Advance.

David S. Carey, ticket agent at the passenger station, has received from the Pullman company the new schedule of parlor car accommodation rates brought about by the war revenue taxes which goes into effect Nov. 1. They represent an increase of 10 per cent all along the line. A chair to New York which formerly cost \$2 will be \$2.50 under the new rates.

At the same time there will be an eight per cent advance on all railroad tickets where the fare is 50 cents or more and at the beginning this is expected to cause considerable confusion.

The tightwad will pay a lawyer a hundred dollars to get rid of paying ten dollars to the government.

INDUCE PASTOR TO SING.

Demonstration Before Baptist Church
in Windsor Where Pacifist Preacher
Stirred up Trouble.

The good people of Windsor took exception Sunday night in no uncertain manner to what they considered an anti-American, if not a pro-German order, issued Sunday from the pulpit of the Baptist church by its pastor, Rev. C. H. Waldron, who is a pacifist as outspoken as the soap box orators of New York city. They gathered in force in front of the offending pastor's church Sunday night that he might be compelled to listen to a song, dear to the heart of every good American and which he refused to allow his parishioners to sing at the morning service yesterday. He not only heard it, but when he put in an appearance he was requested to sing it himself, holding an American flag, which he did.

The Star Spangled Banner was to be sung in all the churches Sunday morning at 11 o'clock but the idea apparently did not appeal to Rev. Mr. Waldron. By his order the national anthem was not sung in his church and he also ordered that the bell of the edifice should be used only for the purpose of calling the people to worship and not for the promoting of the sale of Liberty bonds, also that the bell should not join the chorus of the bells of all the other churches in town when they were sounded to remind the people of a patriotic duty.

It was not long after the morning service that practically every person in the village had heard of Pastor Waldron's latest pacifist act and wherever two or more people assembled on the street this was the subject of conversation.

The outcome of the affair was that a few minutes before the evening service at the Baptist church was scheduled to begin about 200 people, including Catholics and Protestants of all denominations, gathered in front of the church and sang The Star Spangled Banner as they had never sung it before. They were aware, evidently, that it is a penal offense to interrupt a religious service for they began their demonstration about 15 minutes before the hour of service.

While the singing was in progress Rev. Mr. Waldron emerged from the front door of the church and at the conclusion of the anthem addressed the crowd. He stated first that he was an American, but did not cite any act of his to prove the assertion. Instead, he traced his ancestry back to The Mayflower. He was not opposed to the government of the United States, he said, but was opposed to this war and to all other wars and incidentally he denounced the Kaiser.

At the conclusion of his remarks he was presented with an American flag and requested to sing the national anthem, which he did with the Stars and Stripes wound around his body and he was joined in the singing by Mrs. Waldron.

It is understood that one or two of the deacons of the church support the pastor in his pacifist views but that the big majority of the members, some 100 in number, believe in supporting the government in this war. Rev. Mr. Waldron has been pastor of the church for about two years.

DOWNED BELLOWS FALLS.

Brattleboro High Shut Out Strong Team
from Paper Town by Score of 28
to 6 Saturday.

Brattleboro high school displayed superior offense, which, combined with an equally strong defense, won the football encounter with Bellows Falls eleven Saturday afternoon at Island park by a score of 28 to 6. It was by far the hardest game which the boys have had to play and they were greatly outwitted by the visitors but were successful in straight line bucking while their opponents resorted more to forward passes to make their gains. A break through Bellows Falls left end and quick dodging of every man on the team sent Eddie Moran down the field for nearly 60 yards and a touchdown. Other features of the game were Bettel's drive through the center and interception of a forward pass and Vinton's gain after the visitors had sent the pigskin to Brattleboro's 20-yard line by the aerial route. Following is the summary:

Brattleboro: Vinton, Noyes, le. re, Riel Manley, Sherman, R. rt, Fahey Betterley, lg. rg, Hartnett Howard, g. Leonard Hall, rg. Nelson Davis, Nixon, rt. lb, Crotty Austin, rb. lb, Dowling Plumb, qb. qb, Bradish Gorborno, qb. qb, Lawlor J. Moran, rb. lb, Mahoney E. Moran, fb. fb, Burgess

Score—Brattleboro 28, Bellows Falls 6. Touchdowns—Plumb 2, J. Moran, E. Moran. Goals from touchdowns—Hayes. Head line-man—Thompson. Time—10 and 12 minute periods.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS.

State Association Holds Annual Meeting in Middlebury.

At the annual meeting of the Vermont Sunday School association in Middlebury Friday these officers were elected:

President, Rev. William Shaw of St. Johnsbury; vice president, W. G. Glynn of Saxtons River; recording secretary, Rev. E. M. Fuller of Richford; general secretary, Charles A. Boyd of Burlington; treasurer, William H. Wood of Burlington; superintendent of the secondary division, Rev. J. Wallace Chesbro of Bellows Falls; superintendent of the adult department, Rev. D. G. Guest of Brattleboro; superintendent of education, Prof. Raymond McFarland of Middlebury; superintendent of temperance instruction, Rev. C. H. Smith of Burlington; superintendent of missionary instruction, Miss Martha Pratt of Bennington. The office of the elementary division was left open, Miss Marion F. Stickney having resigned.

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